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In New York, prices were unchanged when compared to Friday's report. Elsewhere, weekly prices were lower on all sizes when compared to the previous week. The market tone was steady to barely steady beginning the week. Demand into all channels was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to ample for current requirements. Breaking stock offerings were mixed and noted as barely adequate to ample for the light to occasionally fairly good demand. Light type fowl were fully adequate to ample for the moderate to good demand.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MIDWEST REGIONAL Midwest delivered prices were slightly lower for all sizes. Prices to producers in IA-MN-WI were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady. Retail demand was light to moderate. Food service movement was light. Supplies were fully adequate to ample. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were fully adequate to ample and continued to include graded loose shell eggs. Demand was moderate. Schedules full time. Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY	IA-MN-WI-Prices paid to producers.	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	32-42	33-39			
LARGE	31-41	32-35	LARGE	14-23	18
MEDIUM	20-30	22-25	MEDIUM	5-9	7
			SMALL	5-9	

MIDWEST AREA: IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, OH, NE, ND, SD, WI, WV, Western NY, and Western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were lower on all sizes when compared to the previous week's prices. Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady entering the week. Demand into all channels was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to readily available for present trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were irregular and reported as barely adequate to ample for the mostly light to moderate demand. Spent hens were fully adequate to ample for the moderate to good demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	44-59	45-48
LARGE	38-52	43-47
MEDIUM	25-38	30-32

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices were slightly lower for all sizes. Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady. Retail demand was light to moderate. Food service movement was light. Supplies were fully adequate to ample. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were fully adequate to ample and continued to include graded loose shell eggs. Demand was moderate. Schedules full time. Trade sentiment steady to barely steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	43.5-52	45-48
LARGE	39.5-48	41-44
MEDIUM	27.5-36	29-32

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, and TX

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Weekly prices were lower on all sizes when compared to the previous week. The market tone was steady to barely steady. Demand was light to occasionally moderate. Supplies were fully sufficient to ample for current requirements. Breaking stock offerings were mixed and reported as barely adequate to ample for the light to moderate demand. Light type fowl were fully sufficient to ample for the moderate to good demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	39.5-48.25	41-44
LARGE	38-45	39-42
MEDIUM	27.5-35	28-32

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, and southern VA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged on all sizes when compared to Friday's report. Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady entering the week. Demand into all channels ranged light to moderate. Supplies were fully adequate to available for immediate trade requirements.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	52-56
LARGE	50-54
MEDIUM	37-41

MIDWEST REGIONAL

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	39-48	41-45
LARGE	38-47	39-41
MEDIUM	27-36	30-32

see page 3 for prices on certified organic eggs in cartons

WESTERN Prices 1 cent lower on jumbo, 2 cents lower on extra large, large, and medium throughout the region. The Pacific region inventory was 3% lower than last week with California up 1% and Oregon-Washington-Utah down 9%. Retailer demand light to moderate. Offerings ample.

CALIFORNIA Prices 1 cent lower on jumbo, 2 cents lower on extra large, large, medium and small. The California inventory was 1% higher than last week. Retailer demand light to moderate. Offerings ample. Small benchmark price 42.

California Egg Marketing Association and other marketers benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	99
EXTRA LARGE	88
LARGE	75
MEDIUM	62

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	RANGE	NORTHERN CALIFORNIA	RANGE
JUMBO	249-309		
EXTRA LARGE	219-289	NOT AVAILABLE	
LARGE	199-219		
MEDIUM	179-189		

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending June 10, 2005 will decrease by 10 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending June 03, 2005 were 230,851 cases which was 4 percent above the prior week and 9 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	196,673	34,178	230,851
% change from the prior week.....	+5	-3	+4

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices were unchanged. Offerings remained fully adequate to ample and continued to include graded loose shell eggs. Demand was mostly moderate. Floor stocks fully adequate to ample. Schedules full time. Trade sentiment steady to barely steady.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	22-24	22
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	11-15	11-13

CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged to slightly higher when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate for the generally adequate offerings. Processing schedules were noted as mostly normal. Sales of finished product were fully sufficient for current needs. The undertone was steady to at least steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 06-JUN-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.5-15.5	12-13.5	12.99
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were generally unchanged from the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings from production areas. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 06-JUN-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9-15.5	11.75-13.5	12.38

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM JUN 06, 2005

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/ 2/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO		SO	SO	5-Area	
		Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	12.1	13.3	8.4	10.9	11.2	55.9
	Change	-0.8	-1.1	0.3	0.0	-0.1	-3%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	23.3	33.5	13.6	26.8	40.3	137.5
	Change	-0.8	-9.4	-1.2	-0.3	2.3	-6%
Large	Curr Wk	48.7	139.0	66.5	91.9	109.7	455.8
	Change	-4.0	-19.0	-13.0	-8.5	-9.7	-11%
Medium	Curr Wk	13.3	66.4	17.4	25.2	34.1	156.4
	Change	-1.8	11.2	-1.0	-4.6	-0.5	2%
Small	Curr Wk	11.6	29.2	6.8	9.9	4.9	62.4
	Change	6.8	3.9	0.8	1.3	1.2	29%
Misc	Curr Wk	3.4	30.9	8.9	10.4	5.9	59.5
	Change	-1.1	-1.3	0.7	0.0	-0.1	-3%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	27.7	45.3	14.7	37.1	29.0	153.8
	Change	4.3	1.2	-4.3	-3.8	0.7	-1%
Total	Curr Wk	140.1	357.6	136.3	212.2	235.1	1,081.3
Percent	Change	2%	-4%	-11%	-7%	-3%	-5%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	1,081.3	-5%	175
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	282.6	-3%	35
Total Shell Egg	1,363.9	-4%	210

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 175 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks.

This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV
Pacific - AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

CANADIAN EGGS

QUEBEC/MONTREAL: WHOLESALE PRICES-GRADED IN CARTONS (CANADIAN DOLLARS) AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 23, 2005

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.86	1.83	1.74	1.16

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR WEEK OF MAY 23, 2005 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.42	1.42	1.32	.77

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES— DAILY WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JUNE 3, 2005

CURRENT LOADS							26.50		FUTURE LOADS							31.50		TOTAL LOADS							58.00				
		SE					NE				MW		LOADS				SC				NW				SW		LOADS		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST
GNR W 1	22.00	—	24.00	24.50	—	—	4.00	GNR W 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4.00
GL W XL	—	—	36.00	37.00	32.00	—	5.00	GL W J	37.50	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	49.00	1.00
GL W LG	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00	GL W LG	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.50
GL W SM	22.13	25.25	19.20	22.40	—	—	7.00	GL W MD	19.50	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	23.50	1.00	
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	20.00	21.50	29.00	NRBS - 39	18.50	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	22.50	1.50	
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	—	—	17.00	2.00																					
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	16.00	17.00	2.00																						

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES— WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 05/30/05-06/03/05

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS								TOTAL LOADS							
94.75								61.75								156.50							
SE				NE				MW				SC				NW				SW			
CLASS	ORG	DST		ORG	DST			LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST		ORG	DST			LOADS						
GNR W 1	23.67	—		24.50	26.22	—		25.00	12.00	GNR W 1	—	—	—	—	—		36.83	7.00					
GL W J	—	—		46.50	48.00			37.75	42.00	2.75	GL W J	37.50	—	—	—	—	49.00	1.25					
GL W XL	—	32.67		35.80	36.92	27.33		31.79	34.75	GL W XL	29.00	32.20	—	—	—	—	37.30	15.75					
GL W LG	—	31.00		31.63	33.43	24.10		—	10.75	GL W LG	27.40	29.80	—	—	—	—	35.43	6.25					
GL W MD	24.00	21.00		20.50	21.33	16.08		19.50	5.50	GL W MD	21.88	—	—	—	—	—	24.95	6.25					
GL W SM	22.88	26.06		19.20	22.40	21.00		21.50	9.50	NRBS - 39	18.50	17.00	—	—	—	—	22.50	2.50					
NRBS - 48	—	—		—	21.50	21.00		22.73	88.00														
NRBS - 45	—	—		—	—	19.00		21.00	4.00														
NRBS - 42	—	—		—	—	—		17.00	2.00														
NRBS - 39	—	15.00		—	—	14.50		16.40	7.00														

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	05/30/05	05/23/05	05/31/04
PACIFIC COAST	287	150	552
LOS ANGELES	281	150	500

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is lower on all sizes. Supplies are adequate. Retail demand is light to moderate. PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MOSTLY

EXTRA LARGE	61.63
LARGE	55.63
MEDIUM	45.63
SMALL	42.76

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS

(price per carton delivered to first receivers)

Brown Eggs	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	222 – 260	239 - 240
1/2 doz.	120 – 151	130 - 134
Large doz.	217 – 250	225 - 230
1/2 doz.	115 – 142	125 - 128

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